

FISCAL NOTE

SB 1774 - HB 1344

March 6, 2007

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires the Division of Water Pollution Control within the Department of Environment and Conservation to analyze and evaluate landfills that are identified as contaminators of groundwater. Additionally, the division would be required to categorize the landfills according to certain criteria set forth by the bill.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$300,000

Assumptions:

- As of January 1, 2006, there were 225 landfills with groundwater monitoring programs. Of these, 69 have been identified as being under assessment or corrective action. Of the 69 that have been identified as having problems, 38 are required to take corrective action. It is estimated that only these 38 landfills will be addressed by the provisions of this bill based upon current contamination levels.
- A portion of the work required by the bill can be done utilizing existing staff of the Department of Environment and Conservation. It is anticipated that the remainder will be conducted by contract workers outside the employment of the department. It is estimated that the cost of such contracts will be approximately \$300,000.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James W. White, Executive Director